Utilisation of modern equipment by hospitals

669. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Central Government hospitals in the Capital are not using modern machines or even trying to adopt latest technology for various tests, etc., in comparison to big private hospitals;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the latest machines gifted by WHO to Government hospitals in the Capital are not used and the old manual methods are preferred;

(c) if so, the details of such machines lying idle in Government hospitals in the Capital;

(d) whether any responsibility has been fixed for not using such machines; and

(e) if so, what further steps Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) and (b) The Central Government Hospitals in Delhi, namely, Dr. R.M.L. Hospital, Safdarjung Hospital and LHMC & Associated Hospitals are using modern equipments like Automatic Analyser, CT Scan & Ultra Sound to carry out various investigations. All the equipments supplied by the WHO are being fully utilised and are functional.

(c) No such machine is lying idle in Central Government Hospitals in Delhi.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

Prevention from Hepatitis-B

†670. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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